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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2002 (Paper 8), the period for response thereto having been set to expire on June 29, 2002. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time and appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for response to September 29, 2002.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the Office Action mailed March 29, 2002, (hereinafter referred to as the "instant Office Action") and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 12-15 are respectfully requested.